

Camak House
Athens, Clarke County, Georgia

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HISTORICAL NOTES: ¹

Camak Place was designed and built by its original owner, James Camak. It was begun in 1830 and completed in 1833. James Camak was first Professor of Mathematics at the University of Georgia and held many other offices. The place is well maintained by its present owners, James De Xavier Camak IV ² and Louis Camak.

The two storey brick house has a low hipped roof and stands on a high basement. Brick pilasters project at corners and sides. The porch is decorated with much lacy cast-iron work, made in Philadelphia. The base of the porch has a checkerboard grille pattern of brick. Not the least interesting feature is the yellow pine well-house and bathroom outbuilding with the large wooden wheel still in place.

¹ Based on Garden History of Georgia, page 73.

² Garden History of Georgia gives James DeXavier Camak V as the present owner.

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Owner: James and Louis Camak.

Date of Erection: Begun 1830; 1830 (see drawings).

Architect and Builder: James Camak, first owner.

Present Condition: Good.

Number of Stories: Two, and basement.

Materials of Construction: Brick.

Other Existing Records: See text.

Additional Data: See following pages.